[Ibuki Satsuki's Comic Collection]

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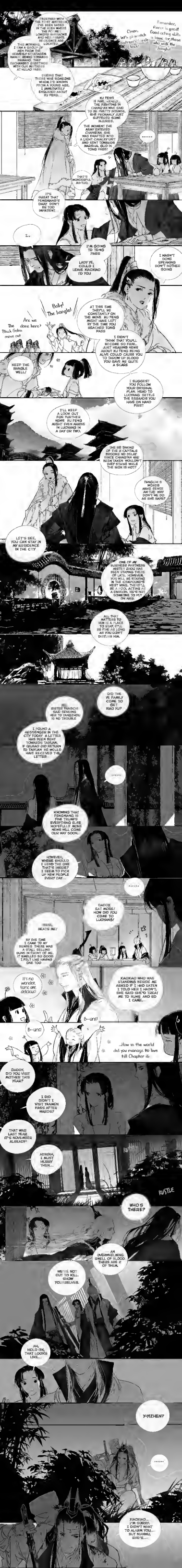
TOGETHER WITH THE FIRST MISTRESS, I'VE BEEN BASED IN THE AREA WHERE THE FORMER LONGFEI BARRACKS AND HER PRIVATE RESIDENCE ARE LOCATED.
THIS MORNING, I SAW A GROUP OF MEN FROM THE HEAVENLY STRATAGEM MANOR RIDING TOWARDS BEIMANG. THEY EXCHANGED GREETINGS WITH OUR MISTRESS AT HULAO PASS.
C'mon, let's go snatch mistress's bangle back!
Remember, fierce is good! Good acting skills is basic for those who walk the Jianghu!
SEEING THAT THERE WAS SOMEONE WHOM I'D KNOWN FROM A YOUNG AGE, I IMMEDIATELY ENQUIRED ABOUT XU FENG...
XU FENG IS FINE. REALLY. THE FIGHTING IN CHANG'AN WAS SAID TO BE PRETTY INTENSE. SHE PROBABLY JUST SUFFERED SOME INJURIES.
THE MOMENT THE ARMY ENTERED CHANG'AN, SHE WAS DRAFTED INTO A LIGHT CAVALRY UNIT AND SENT TOWARDS MARSHAL GUO IN TONG PASS!
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THAT'S WONDERFUL AH-TUO.
IT'S GREAT THAT FENGNIANG'S OKAY. DON'T BE TOO IMPATIENT.
I...
I'M GOING TO TONG PASS
LADY YE, COULD I LEAVE XIAOXIAO TO YOU
I WASN'T DONE SPEAKING. DON'T BOTHER GOING
Baby! The bangle!
Are we done here?
The Black Gobis move out
AT THIS TIME THEY'LL BE CONSTANTLY ON THE MOVE. XU FENG MIGHT HAVE LEFT BY THE TIME YOU REACHED TONG PASS
I DIDN'T THINK THAT YOU'LL BECOME SO FRAIL. JUST HEARING NEWS ABOUT XU FENG BEING ALIVE COULD CAUSE YOU TO THROW UP BLOOD. YOU GAVE ME QUITE A SCARE
KEEP THE BANGLE WELL!
I SUGGEST YOU FOLLOW YOUR ORIGINAL PLAN. HEAD TO LUOYANG. SETTLE THE ERRANDS YOU HAVE ON HAND FIRST
I'LL KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR FURTHER NEWS. XU FENG MIGHT EVEN ARRIVE IN LUOYANG IN A DAY OR TWO.
THE RE-TAKING OF THE 2 CAPITALS BROOKS NO DELAY. SINCE CHANG'AN HAS BEEN TAKEN, WOULDN'T THEY STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS HOT?
FANGCHI'S WORDS MAKE SENSE AH-TUO. WHY DON'T WE DO AS SHE SAYS?
LET'S SEE, YOU CAN STAY IN MY RESIDENCE IN THE CITY
ONE OF MY BUSINESS PARTNERS MISTER ZHOU HAS BEEN STAYING THERE OF LATE. HOWEVER, YOU WILL BE STAYING IN THE COMPOUND'S WEST WING. THERE'LL BE A POOL ACTING AS A DIVISION. HE'S NOT SOMEONE TO PUT ON AIRS.
ALL THAT MATTERS TO HIM IS A PLACE TO STAY, IT'LL BE FINE AS LONG AS YOU DON'T DISTURB HIM.
DID THE YE FAMILY COME TO GET XIAO YU?
SISTER FANGCHI SAID SENDING HER TO YANGZHOU IS NO TROUBLE
I FOUND A MESSENGER IN THE CITY TODAY. A LETTER HAS BEEN SENT TOWARDS TAIYUAN. IF QIUBAO DID RETURN TO TAIYUAN HE WOULD HAVE RECEIVED THE LETTER-
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KNOWING THAT FENGNIANG IS FINE TRUMPS EVERYTHING ELSE. HOPEFULLY MORE NEWS WILL COME OUR WAY SOON...
HOWEVER, WHERE SHOULD I SEND THE ONE THAT'S INSIDE? I SEEM TO PICK UP NEW PEOPLE EVERY DAY....
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DADDY EAT MORE! HOW DID YOU COME TO LUOYANG?
HMM, BEATS ME!
BY THE TIME I CAME TO MY SENSES THERE WAS A STALL SELLING BUNS IN FRONT OF ME. IT SMELLED SO GOOD I FELT LIKE HAVING ONE TOO
XIAOXIAO WHO WAS STANDING BESIDE ME ASKED IF I HAD EATEN. I TOLD HER I HADN'T, SHE SAID SHE'D TREAT ME TO BUNS AND SO I CAME...
It's no wonder, buns are delicious!
B--uns!
B--uns!
...How in the world did you manage to live till Chapter 16
DADDY, DID YOU VISIT MOTHER THIS YEAR?
I DID. DIDN'T I VISIT YANMEN PASS AFTERWARDS?
THAT WAS LAST YEAR. IT'S NOVEMBER ALREADY!
AIYAYAH, I MUST HURRY THEN...
RU
RUSTLE
WHO'S THERE?
— AN OVERWHELMING SMELL OF BLOOD. THERE ARE 2 OF THEM.
WE'RE NOT OUT TO KILL. SHOW YOURSELVES.
AH, HOLD ON, THAT LOOKS LIKE...
Y-YIZHEN?
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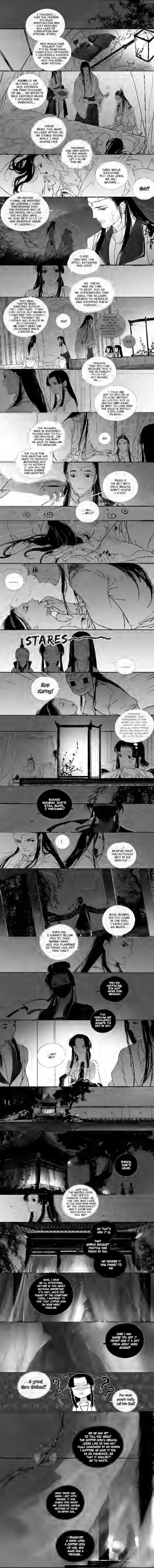
XIAOXIAO... I'M SORRY. I DIDN'T WANT TO ALARM YOU... BUT NIANNU, SHE'S....


I THOUGHT THAT THE PERSON I'D BEEN INVESTIGATING WAS JUST INVOLVED IN A CASE OF CORRUPTION AND INTERNAL STRIFE
WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT IT'D BE SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT. I UNCOVERED EVIDENCE OF THEM COLLUDING WITH THE REBEL ARMY INSTEAD
NIANWU'S AN OUTSIDER, BUT SHE ENTERED THE FRAY BECAUSE OF ME... MY IDENTITY WAS EXPOSED WHEN I OBTAINED THE EVIDENCE...
THERE WERE TOO MANY KILLERS AFTER US. MY ZITHER BROKE WHILE I WAS SAVING HER
THROWING HER OWN SAFETY TO THE WINDS, SHE BLOCKED OFF A BLOW FOR ME...
THEN, WHILE ESCAPING FOR OUR LIVES, WE MET QIUBAO...
Huh?!
ON SEEING NIANWU, HE INSISTED ON LENDING A HAND. PRETENDING THAT THE EVIDENCE WAS IN HIS HANDS, HE LURED THE KILLERS AWAY... HE SAID WE'D SPLIT UP AND REGROUP AGAIN AT LUOYANG...
D-DID YOU SEE HIM AFTER ENTERING THE CITY?
NO. THERE WAS NO TIME TO REST. BUT AS WE APPROACHED THIS AREA, THE KILLERS SEEMED TO HESITATE AND STOPPED THEIR PURSUIT...
THAT SAID, THEY'VE BEEN HOVERING OUTSIDE THIS COMPOUND. IT WAS SUSPICIOUS, BUT NIANWU'S INJURY WAS TOO SERIOUS, SO I THOUGHT NO FURTHER AND RUSHED IN. SURPRISINGLY, WE DIDN'T MEET ANY RESISTANCE WHILE COMING IN...
EH?
DISSOLVE THIS PILL IN 1 TAEL OF WARM WATER. MAKE SURE IT'S THOROUGHLY DISSOLVED
PERHAPS THEY STOPPED BECAUSE THIS IS THE YE FAMILY'S PROPERTY... BUT QIUBAO, HE...
I TOLD HIM NOT TO INTERFERE TO AVOID GETTING IMPLICATED, BUT HE HAD HIS OWN IDEAS. HE WENT TO LURE AWAY THE KILLERS BEFORE I WAS DONE TALKING...
AH.
THE INJURIES MISS QI SUSTAINED CAUSED HER TO FALL UNCONSCIOUS. I'M AFRAID SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO SWALLOW THE MEDICINE.
THE PILLS FOR THIS MEDICINE ARE HARD TO PRODUCE. MOREOVER, DUE TO ITS POTENCY IT CAN ONLY BE TAKEN DURING EMERGENCIES
FEED IT TO HER WITH YOUR MOUTH. DON'T WASTE A DROP.
...OH... ...WHA?
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STARES~
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Stop staring!
PERHAPS KNOWING THAT FENGNIANG'S FINE MADE AH-TUO TOO HAPPY? WITH HIS SKILLS, EVEN PRYING OPEN THE MOUTH OF A CORPSE SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM.
XUANZI NIANWU. SHE'S STILL ALIVE, I PRESUME?
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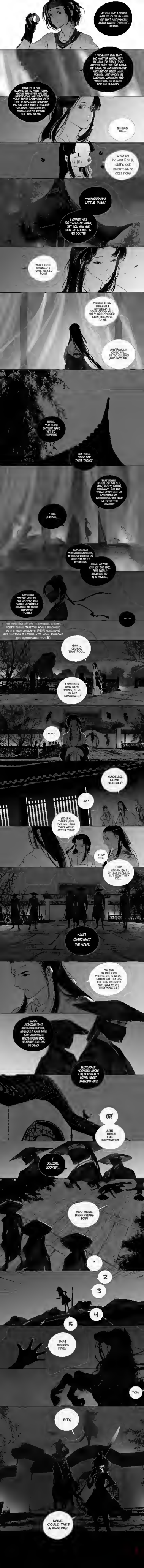
...! WHO'RE YOU? YOU ACTUALLY GOT IN SO QUIETLY...
MISS GUARD, SO YOU CAME IN THE END. I EXPECTED AS MUCH...
EVEN SO, I CANNOT ALLOW YOU TO TAKE NIANWU AWAY. ARE YOU PLANNING TO FINISH HER OFF THIS TIME?
YOU'RE MISTAKEN. I'M NOT HERE FOR NIANWU.
THE PERSON MY EMPLOYER WANTS TO SEE IS HER.
...AH? ME?
BOSS, SHE'S HERE.
...ARE YOU THE MISTER ZHOU THAT SISTER FANGCHI SPOKE OF, THE ONE WHO LIVES IN THE EASTERN WING OF THE RESIDENCE? MAY I KNOW WHY YOU ASKED TO SEE ME?
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS.
THAT SPRING BANQUET PAINTING WAS DRAWN BY YOU.
NO WONDER IT WAS PASSED TO ME.
MISS, I HAVE NO ILL INTENTIONS, NEITHER IS THIS ABOUT ANYTHING IMPORTANT. IT'S JUST, WHILE YOU PASSED BY THE COURTYARD TODAY, I HAPPENED TO FIND THAT COPPER COIN ON YOUR WRIST FAMILIAR.
DARE I ASK WHERE YOU GOT IT FROM? WAS IT A GIFT FROM GREAT HERO QIUBAO?
...G-great Hero Qiubao?!
You mean people really call him that?
SO HE HAS YET TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE COPPER COIN'S ORIGINS. LOOKS LIKE HE WAS NOT FULLY CONVINCED BY MY WORDS. I SUPPOSE HE GAVE IT YOU AS AN INSURANCE, SO THAT IT WOULDN'T GO TO WASTE.
MANY YEARS AGO, WHEN I MET WITH DANGER, IT WAS QIUBAO WHO SAVED ME. HOWEVER, HAVING NOTHING OF VALUE TO REPAY HIM,
ENGRAVED A MARK UPON A COPPER COIN HE HAD, AND MADE HIM A PROMISE...


HE WAS BUT A YOUNG MAN OF 15 OR 16. LADS OF THAT AGE FANCIED BEING CALLED "HEROES", HAHAHA.
I PROMISED HIM THAT NO MATTER WHEN, HE'D BE ABLE TO TRADE THAT COPPER COIN FOR 100 TAELS OF GOLD, OR AN EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF GOOD LAND, HOUSES, AND SHOPS IN LUOYANG, CHANG'AN AND YANGZHOU, AS THANKS FOR HIS CHIVALRY.
SINCE FATE HAS ALLOWED US TO MEET TODAY, AND HE HAS GIVEN YOU THE COPPER COIN, WHY DON'T YOU THINK ABOUT SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE IN EXCHANGE? HOWEVER, YOU CAN ONLY MAKE A REQUEST THIS ONCE. FURTHERMORE, YOU'LL HAVE TO RETURN THE COIN TO ME.
QIUBAO, HE...
W-when he was 15 or 16, did he look as cute as he does now?
--HAHAHAHA! LITTLE MISS!
I OFFER YOU 100 TAELS OF GOLD, YET YOU ASK ME HOW HE LOOKED IN HIS YOUTH!
WHAT ELSE SHOULD I HAVE ASKED FOR?
MISTER ZHOU THOUGH I APPRECIATE YOUR GOOD WILL, ONLY THE COPPER COIN BELONGS TO ME.
ANY FAVOUR OWED WILL BE TO QIUBAO AND NOT ME.
BOSS, THE FLIES OUTSIDE HAVE YET TO DISPERSE.
LET THEM COME FOR THEIR TARGET
THAT HOUSE IS FULL OF THE OLD, WEAK, SICKLY, INFIRM, PREGNANT, AND THE YOUNG. IF YOU HAD NO INTENTIONS OF INTERFERING, WHY HAVE US DETER THE KILLERS?
I WAS CURIOUS...
BUT HEARING THE NOISES OUTSIDE, IT SEEMS THERE'S NO NEED FOR ME TO INTERVENE.
AIYAH, AT THE END OF THE DAY, THIS WORLD BELONGS TO THE YOUNG...
...ACCORDING TO THE HEAD OF OUR SOCIETY, THIS WORLD ULTIMATELY BELONGS TO THOSE SURNAMED "FU"(复).
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THE HEAD WAS TRYING TO EXPRESS, IN MORE POETIC TERMS, THAT THE WORLD BELONGED TO THE TANG LOYALISTS(复唐党 FUTANGDANG) BUT SHE TOOK IT LITERALLY TO MEAN SOMEONE WHO IS SURNAMED "FU"(复)
GEEZ, QIUBAO THAT FOOL.
I WONDER HOW HE'S DOING, IS HE IN ANY DANGER...?
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XIAOXIAO COME QUICKLY!
MN!
YIZHEN, THESE ARE THE KILLERS THAT WERE AFTER YOU?
THEY ARE.
THEY DARED NOT ENTER BEFORE, BUT NOW THEY DO...
HAND OVER WHAT WE WANT.
OF THE 14 KILLERS YOU SENT, 3 WERE TAKEN OUT BY US. DID THE OTHER 5 NOT GET WHAT THEY WANTED?
HMPH. ALTHOUGH THAT BEGGAR WAS FAST, HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY MY BROTHERS BY NOW. HE MIGHT ALREADY BE DEAD.
INSTEAD OF WORRYING ABOUT HIM, YOU SHOULD WORRY ABOUT YOUR OWN LIFE!
OI!
ARE THESE THE BROTHERS
! SENIOR, LOOK UP...
YOU WERE REFERRING TO?!
1
2
3
4
5
THAT MAKES FIVE!
TCH!
PITY,
NONE COULD TAKE A BEATING!